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# **Accelerate – A College Experience for PPSD Seniors in partnership with CCRI, RIC, and College Crusade**

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# Accelerate: Program Overview

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Given the uncertainty related to the 2020-21 school year, leadership from RIDE, PPSD, CCRI, and RIC came together this summer to discuss how to partner together and provide the children of PPSD a senior year deserving of their youth. These conversations lead to the creation of Accelerate.

The goal is Accelerate is to Increase college access for PPSD Seniors by: providing an enhanced senior year experience that includes:

- An opportunity to explore a career pathway/program of study,
- An opportunity to earn 24 transferrable college credits, and

*Students have the chance to remain in extracurricular activities and other school-sponsored activities.*

# Eligibility Criteria

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Students are eligible to participate in this program if they:

- Received a 410 on the PSAT in ELA and Math, and have earned a GPA of 2.8 or higher, and have a 90% attendance or higher, or
- Successfully completed of PrepareRI Readiness Project course offered through SAIL, or
- Successful completion of PrepareRI summer internship program.

# Supporting Students and Families



**To support students and families, and to ensure a successful postsecondary for all Accelerate students, the College Crusade was brought in supplement the partnership between PPSD, CCRI, and RIC.**

Why?

- The College Crusade has significant experience supporting the transition to postsecondary education for PPSD students and families.
- The College Crusade has considerable experience supporting students making the transition to postsecondary at RIC and CCRI.
- The College Crusade has a presence in many of PPSD's high schools through College Crusade Counselors.

*The College Crusade has been an integral partner to support student and family outreach.*

# Program Options



**Students have the opportunity to enroll in one of six different programs offered at CCRI or RIC:**

## CCRI

- Business, Economics, and Data Analytics
- Education, Government, and Human Services
- Health and Health Administration
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.

## RIC

- *Honors Pathway*
- *Project Excel*

# Partner Overview: CCRI



# Partner Overview RIC



# Partner Overview: College Crusade





## Next Steps

- Supporting the success of the more than 75 students have enrolled in Accelerate.
- Continuing to focus on and better understand student and family needs.
- Building an understanding of how to leverage early college high school programs, like Accelerate, benefit the children of Providence and children statewide.

# Questions?

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